



**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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ONTO AN OPTICAL STORAGE
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98, the reference listed and identified on the attached Supplemental PTO-1449-based form is being submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner. A copy of the listed reference is included herewith.

The reference is being cited only in the interest of candor and without any admission that it constitutes statutory prior art or contains matter which anticipates the invention or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

For each item listed on the enclosed copy of Supplemental Form PTO-1449 that is not in the English language, an English language translation of that item or a portion thereof or a concise explanation of the relevance of that item is set forth below:

Chinese Patent Application No. 95197796 (Publication No. 1181153) - The present invention provides efficient management of calibration and spare sectors on a banded optical write-once, read-many (WORM) disk. A portion of each band on the disk includes a user data area and a reserved area. Sectors in the reserved area are usable either as spare sectors, replacing defective sectors in the user area, or as calibration sectors, for use when the laser write-power

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level is calibrated. Sectors preferably are used for sparing from one end of the reserved area while sectors are used for calibration from the opposite end. A common overflow reserved area can also be provided for use if all of the sectors in one or more primary reserved areas associated with any of the bands have been exhausted.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(1) as each item of information contained in this disclosure was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, and as no final action under §1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under §1.311 has been received, no filing fee is required with this filing. However the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-2814 for any deficiency in the fees should they be required for the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, **for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. This statement does not authorize the payment of the issue fee.**

If there are any questions concerning this Supplemental IDS, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned. If it is determined that this Supplemental IDS has been filed under the wrong rule, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is requested to consider this Supplemental IDS under the proper rule (with a petition if necessary) and charge the appropriate fee to Deposit Account No. 19-2814.

Respectfully submitted,

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